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BLACK LAW ENFORCERS APPALLED AT LACK OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION IN WASHINGTON STATE HIRING

Citing the special needs and concerns for empathetic law enforcement services in all black communities throughout the state, Russell F. Proctor, of the Seattle Police Department today announced the formation of the Black Law Enforcement Association of the State of Washington.

As President and spokesman for the newly formed group, Proctor pointed to the "poor track record of most of the states' major law enforcement agencies in hiring and promoting sworn black officers."

"In our view", Proctor continued, "the only police department in the state on which blacks are adequately represented is that of the Port of Seattle. This agency has seven black officers within total compliment of 75. One of these is a captain and two are sergeants, and we consider this adequate representation.

"On the other hand", he went on, "The Seattle Police Department, the largest in the entire State of Washington with more than 1,014 uniformed officers in its ranks employs only 22 black officers, the highest ranking black being a sergeant who only recently was promoted. This is a miserable record for a city lead by a liberal mayor who claims to favor affirmative action.

"The minority hiring records of other agencies in the State are scarcely better", Proctor emphasized, "the Washington State Patrol has only seven black troopers out of a total of 799 and none ranks higher than trooper". He added that the State Patrol also currently employed six black cadets and has three trainees in its academy.

City by city, Proctor cited statistics: King County Police, one black Sergeant, none of higher rank; Vancouver Police Department, one black officer, a patrolman; Bellevue Police Department, one black officer and one black trainee; Tacoma, nine black officers out of 250, none above the rank of Sergeant.

"Poll after poll reveals that the greatest area of public concern has to do with law enforcement," Proctor declared, continuing, "and black communities in Washington have suffered particular hardships from the depredations of crime."

"The two greatest needs of the black community from law officers are quick response and sympathetic understanding when a response is made," Proctor elaborated.

"Traditionally, the organizations that most strongly influence the staffing of law enforcement agencies such as the Seattle Police Guild, the Public Safety Union and the management heirarchy of the various departments have been and continue to be biased by makeup and philosophy. It appears that through neglect or ignorance, these unions have avoided taking a positive position in increasing minority representation.

"We, as blacks who are professionals in law enforcement feel that these problems must be corrected quickly and that our police departments must be truly representative of the total community that we have sworn to protect and serve. This will be the primary goal of the Black Law Enforcement Association of the State of Washington," Proctor concluded.

School's Out! Kids Have a Safe and Happy Summer!

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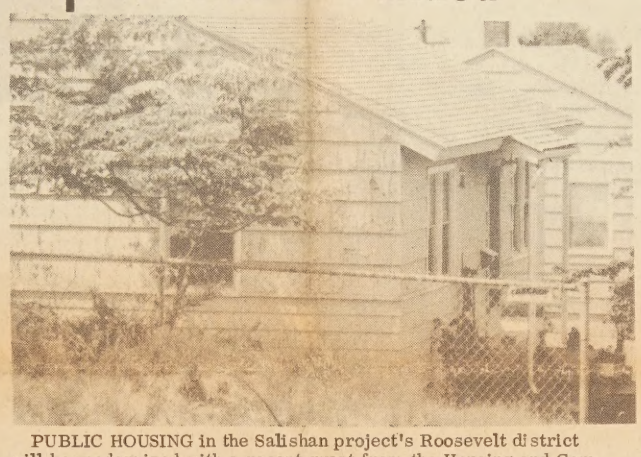


PUBLIC HOUSING in the Salishan project's Roosevelt district will be modernized with a recent grant from the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

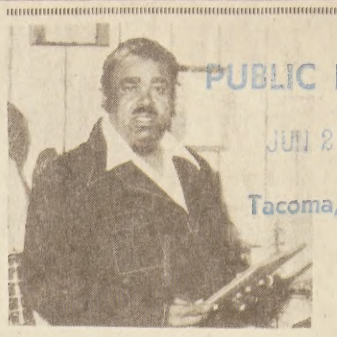
The Tacoma Housing Authority (THA) has been awarded a grant of $277,879 to modernize 103 public housing units in the Salishan Housing Project.

Mayor Gordon N. Johnston and the city's Community Development Department were instrumental in helping the housing authority receive the Department of Housing and Urban Development grant, according to THA Director Peter DeMark.

The grant comes from fiscal year 1975 funds of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1975 which also funded the city's Community Development program. Housing authority officials requested a $1,877,659 grant and hope to receive the remaining portion of the request during the next fiscal year.

A portion of the 855 Salishan housing units will be modernized with the federal grant. The Salishan project was built in 1942 and converted to public housing in 1955. Improvement of the units on Roosevelt Street from 44th to 38th Streets will complete the first cycle of modernization of the project. Other areas in Salishan have had some improvements previously, but this is the first time the Roosevelt area has been improved.

Work on the Salishan homes will emphasize modernization and energy conservation including new storm doors and windows, outdoor siding, kitchen cabinets, refrigerators, hot water tanks, and heating systems (forced air gas furnaces).



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JUN 21 1975
Tacoma, Wash.

By Fitzgerald Beaver
editor & publisher

I SHALL PASS THIS WAY BUT ONCE THEREFORE ANY GOOD THAT I CAN DO OR ANY KINDNESS THAT I CAN SHOW LET ME DO IT NOW FOR I SHALL NOT PASS THIS WAY AGAIN.

Our community has for a long time had a wonderful phrase.

When a person is ignorant, ill-equipped and ill-mannered we say, "He ain't ready."

We would like to ask are the people of America, white and black, ready?

Let's look at some key issues together. Crime, dope, drunk driving and poverty.

Each of those issues vitally affects all of us and not just in our tax and insurance rates.

If we the public were really ready, we could drastically reduce those four ills. Here is how:

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The same is true with dope. The user, the pushers and dealers are often known. The overseas sources are a matter of record, but drug use goes up because of pay off and an apathetic public.

Drunk driving costs us tens of thousands of lives yearly and even more mangled bodies. AND THE DRUNKS STAY ON THE ROAD TO ENDANGER YOUR CHILDREN'S LIVES.

Pressure on our elected officials would end all that nonsense. It's as if alcoholics had a lobby in Olympia and Washington, D.C.

Well it's time that decent, clean living and law abiding citizens got their say in.

W.S.U. to Hold NW Black Studies Summer Workshop

PULLMAN, Wash. -- Washington State University has been awarded a $30,000 grant by the U.S. Department of Education's Ethnic Heritage division to conducg a Pacific Northwest Black Studies Summer Workshop July 14 to August 1 on the Pullman campus.

The workshop will be under the direction of Prof. Talmadge Anderson, director of WSU's Black Studies Program.

Purpose of the institute, Anderson said, is "to provide models for the initiation and development of effective academic course content and curriculum materials in Black Studies."

The three-week program will draw participants from the states of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada and California to the Pullman campus.

"The program is intended to study and develop innovative ways to address the matter of teaching methods, curriculum design and evaluation of Black Studies courses and programs in community and four-year colleges in the Pacific Northwest," Anderson said. "It is our hope that upon completion of the program, persons responsible for such instruction will return to their home campuses more prepared to teach Black or Ethnic Studies."

First week of the program will consist of subject familiarization, problem identification and assessment of Afro-American Studies in higher education, the WSU educator said. Curriculum content and resources is the focus of the second week, and the third week will deal with teaching methods, curriculum design, implementation and evaluation.

Anderson said prominent scholars and researchers in the field will serve as consultants to the WSU program.

"A nominal stipend is included in the grant for accepted participants, and graduate credit in the Department of Education at WSU will be given to those completing the workshop satisfactorily," Prof. Anderson stated.

Do Your Friends A Favor!

If you know persons who have sickle cell anemia--the diease, not the trait--do them a favor and let them know about Sickle Cell Anemia Fund.

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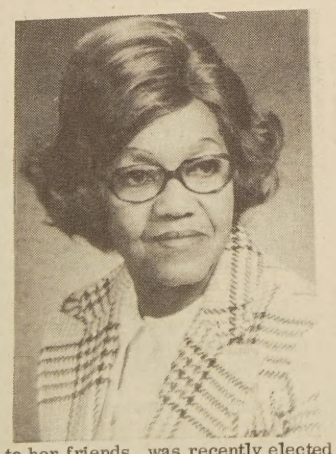

Mrs. Samuel P.D. Wilson, Jan to her friends, was recently elected President of Lakewood Business and Professional Women's Group for 1975. Jan, long active is civic and social activities is the first black to hold such office in the history of Tacoma. Being first is nothing new to her as we review her activities, she was first woman to chair the Housing and Relocation Project as manager under Urban League, first in helping to organize the Hill Top Day Care Center and appointed Director, first female to become Liscino Real Estate Salesperson and was co-owner of Gamell's Real Estate. She is an Honorary Deputy Sheriff of Pierce County, an appointed member to the Advisory Board and Council on the Aging by Gov. Evans.

Most recently she was elected President of the Amecai Aua of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. and was presented the chartes at McCord N. C.O. Club at a banquet honoring Das Debarah Wolf of Calu who made the presentation. Other activities are too numerous to mention but include her church alter A.M.C., staffer study club, member of Ex-Board of Model Cities and proud mother of Dalara I. Silas who is the first black women appointed principal of Reed Elementary School. Jan seems to thrive on being busy - what's the saying - if you want a job done give it to a business woman. We honor you and offer our congratulations Jan, keep up the good work.

You Can Do Both..Be in the U.S.A. Reserves and Be A Mother

Capt. Peyton, Col. Essman, Sp. Gibbs

Sp. Gibbs, and M. Williams

Staff outside Tacoma Branch of WSSCP

The United States Army Reserve is involved in community projects within the Pierce County area this summer in lieu of summer camp at Madigan General Hospital.

Two of the reservists, Sp. 5 Wanda Johnson and Sp 5 Tommie Gibbs, have served their two weeks at the Washington State Sickle Cell Program Tacoma Branch located at 454 St. Helens.

The Tacoma Branch Office was visited by Colonel Agnes Essman and Capt. Joseph Payton from 50th General Hospital Det. located at 11th & Alexander in Tacoma.

Also present was Mr. John Castell, Chairman of the Charles E. Drew Sickle Cell Board. The project was arranged by Sp. Gibbs through Captain Peyton.

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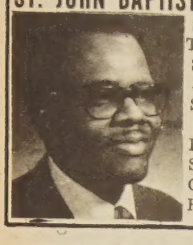

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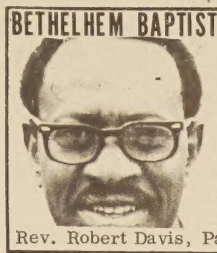

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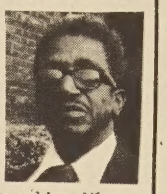

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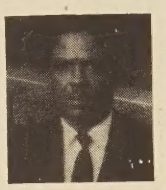

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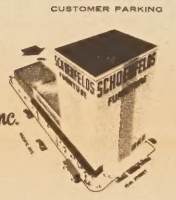

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Marshall Calls for Park Action

Chip Marshall, city council candidate, has announced his opposition to the proposed Westlake Mall plans.

"What started as a park project to enhance a business community now threatens to destroy that community for the benefit of large downtown interests," he said.

Marshall feels that the intent of voters, who approved the plan as part of the 1968 Forward Thrust Bond Issue, has been subverted and he is asking that the original plan to build a public park in the area be implemented.

"The people voted for a park - not a shopping center," he commented. "This is just another case of playing fast and loose with the taxpayer. At a minimum this will cost us $8-$10 million dollars, and since the money will come from the general fund it will further stretch the city's detiorating basic services."

Marshall believes the handling of the project is another example of inefficency and ineffectiveness in city government.

"This project has been around for years. A park could have already been built with the money that's been wasted on studies, fees and salaries," he said.

The candidate also questioned the propriety of using public monies to acquire and develop land for large downtown corporations at the expense of local merchants.

"This proposal will drive most of the businesses in the area out," he noted. "The function of city government should be to promote business - not destroy it. Further, I question the legality of using public funds to finance construction for private concerns."

In conclusion, Marshall called the project repetitious. He noted that the city has just spent millions developing the Center House and is presently at work on a shopping complex three blocks from the proposed mall.

"Merchants in both areas have already complained that this project will undermine them," he said. "Why is the city spending money one place and then undoing its own work with this scheme? It's a boondoggle plain and simple."

NOTICE

The Shiloh Young Adult Choir is proud to announce that on July 13, 1975 at 3:30 p.m. Larry Dennis will be in full concert. Currently now Larry is engaged in working as Director of the Martin Luther King Singers. This concert will truly be a treat. So plan now to attend, that's at Shiloh Baptist Church, 1211 So. 1st at 3:30 p.m.

CHURCH NEWS

Shiloh Baptist Church and Mt. Calvary Baptist Church are sponsoring a joint Daily Vacation Bible School, June 23-27th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, at 1211 and 1311 South Eye Street. Ages for children, 4-15 years. Mr. John Waters is Director. Rev. E.S. Brazill and Rev. Raymond Cain, Pastors.

Black Businessmen's Association Presents 'Support Black Businessmen Campaign'

The Black Businessmens Association is happy to announce the kick-off of a "Support Your Black Businessman Campaign". Social gatherings are planned. The Black Businessman of the Week and the Month will be in the spotlight.

The program is designed to make the black community more aware of the services and products being offered by Black Businesses and Professional men. This will be a six-month campaign. There will be an acquiantence get-together Friday, July 11th at the BBA headquarters, located at 2106 South J Street.

Invitation For Existing Housing Program Application

By E.J. Moger, Director of Seattle Area Office

The Department of Housing and Urban Development will accept Applications to administer an Existing Housing Program in Pierce County, Washington.

Applications may be submitted by any State, County, Municipality, or other governmental entity or public body (or agency or instrumentality thereof) which is authorized to engage or assist in the development or operation of housing for low income families. The total number of units may not exceed 275 units at gross rents at or below the Fair Market Rents in the enclosed schedule of Existing Housing Fair Market Rents. An administrative fee calculated at 8-1/2% of the two-bedroom non-elevator existing Fair Market Rent is allowed for each unit under HAP Contract. In addition, preliminary expenses are allowed for the cost of establishing the program and bringing into the total number of families to be assisted.

Applications must be received by July 18, 1975.

Upon request, we will be pleased to provide you with copies of Form HUD 52515, Application for Existing Housing, and the applicable program regulations and also, to meet with you to assist in the development of your application.

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Tacoma Man Selected for U.S. Naval Accademy

WORKING IN HIS FATHER'S STORE -- until he reports to the U.S. Naval Academy on July 7, Nathaniel B. Green Jr., checks to see which shelves will need restocking. Looking on is Tacoma, Wa., Navy Recruiter Bob Allison.

THE HAPPY PARENTS -- of Nathaniel, (center), Mea C. Green and Nathaniel B. Green Sr., pose in the Green's grocery store, People's Market, 1401 South "K" in Tacoma, Washginton. The elder Green is a retired Army Sargeant Major.

IF AT FIRST YOU DON'T SUCCEED.....

A Tacoma, Washington man has beaten the odds.

Nathaniel B. Green Jr., applied for a Congressional appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md. He was informed that all the Congressional appointments has been filled.

Undaunted, he applied for a Presidential appointment -- success -- he was notified to report to the Naval Academy on July 7.

Nathaniel B. Green Jr., son of U.S. Army Sargeant Major Nathaniel B. Green Sr., retired, and Mea C. Green, 7821 South Alaska, Tacoma, is one of only 1,280 men selected out of the more than 8,000 that applied for admission to the U.S. Naval Academy.

Green is a 1974 graduate of Mt. Tahoma Senior High School, Tacoma, and was attending Ft. Steilacoom Community College when he was notfified of his Academy appointment.

Green has been employed by People's Market, 1401 "K", Tacoma, a family owned and operated business.

Astrology XI

By Gini

Pluto is the planet, farthest from the sun in our solar system, and the latest one discovered by astromomers. We still have much to learn about Pluto. It seems to combine the natures of Mars and Neptune at an obvious higher octave and is co-ruler of Aries and Scorpio.

Pluto's influence is not of a "milk and water" nature, but really rather drastic. Even its milder aspects do not bring peace and quiet or tranquillity of mind or circumstances, but always stopped-up activity, depending upon the planet and aspect involved.

In mythology, Pluto was the ruler of the underworld and the first kidnaper.It is kind of interesting to note that Pluto's discovery announcement on March 12,1930 cam during a wave of kidnaping in the United States. This was also a time of the "Great Depression", dictators emerged, racketeering, gangsters and the underworld became very powerful. As Uranus and Neptune awaken "extra-sensory perception", and bring man into contact with the invisible planes, Pluto carries this just one step further. Since 1930 interest in the occult and metphysics is more widespread than ever before; there has been scientific research into ESP hynotism is being used by doctors and psychiatrists.

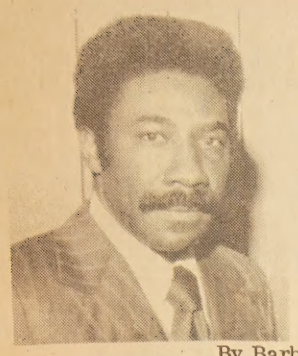
As the last 40 years have been a transition period in the world, so Pluto brings transition into our individual lives, depending upon the sign, house and spects. Progressive changes, rejuvenation, transformation, death, forceful coercion, all are typical Pluto activities. It brings to the surface those hidden conditions that lay dormant in the sub-conscious and we ultimately must learn to master and use them constructively.

A very strong Pluto in a "natal" chart generally indicates an outstanding individual, one who breaks precedents, a non confo rmist (like Pluto's orbit) one who brings new developments into the field in which he is active.

The key words best desceibing Plutonian influence on our human Motivations and inclinations are: To eliminate-to cast out because of a need for replacement; To transform-to convert from one statue to an entirely different one and to produce anew from the ruins of the orignal.

Everyone has an urge to get rid of that which serves no positive purpose, to remodel completely that which is undesirable that which has fallen totally from its orignial status. Pluto, as the planet of "no golden middle" indicates one's urges in these directions. "The greater the sinner, the greater the saint".

MDC's Ted Simmons Speaks Out



By Barbara Henderson

The Metropolitian Development Council is a Tacoma-based, non-profit corporation that is for problem solving. Mr. Ted R. Simmons is the Equal Opportunity Officer of MDC. He is primarily concerned with contracts and Affirmative Action. He has been employed at MDC since December lo 1974 and a part of the Equal Opportunity staff since 1968. He hopes that hes contribution and assistance will cause a numbet of things to happen. When asked what his goals are as Equal Opportunity Officer, he answered, " I am lending my authority to help minorities and females. I would like to see the growth of black and other minorities and cause depp motivation to youth."

Simmons was an Air Force man over in McChord, he served twenty-six years of active duty, then retired. Since 1958, he has been interested in the betterment of minorities, civilians and military persons. He was also into education and training. In the last five years he has been actively involved with social action. Prior to his interest in equal opportunity, he wanted to be a teacher, but he says, " The educational process wasn't for me, it seems more like an money-making process, with teachers having an apathetic attitude towards the pupils' education." Simmons, then made aswitch to the public services, where he is presently working, helping people with employment. When asked about the situation of the black man today, he stated," There is an improvement, but a very slow one, looking back into the 60's there has been a tremendous amount of progress." The MDC currently operates nine indirect and 10 direct programs. Simmons says,"The Metropolitian Development Council is the umbrella over all the other organizations, it is the nucleus of which other programs are grouped around." He feels that in order for the community to united, "people must get directly involved in everything that presents itself in the community." Simmons feels that a small direct contribution to the community wo uld be more effective than a large indirect one. "Something indirect would be involved." While closing the interview Simmons stressed that "All young people keep up this progress so that we may present ourselves to the community. Don't lose it for us." Ted Simmons really enjoys his job. As a last remark, he rendered these words,"We should watch what we say and do more for ourselves."(good advice).

Summer Camp Physicals

The Family Clinic requests that all individuals requiring physicals from summer camp this year, please check with your personal physician before contacting the clinic. If you have had a physical within the past 12 months, all that is needed is your physician's signature. If you have no personal physician please give the clinic at least one weeks' notice before coming in. All physicals are $6.50 and up as determined by family income. The Family Clinic, as of June 24, 1975 will be located in the Emergency part of Old St. Joseph Hospital.

Miller Gives Scholarship Aid to Cal-PAC

One of the highest honors given by Cal-Pac, the "Humanitarian Award," is received by Tom Shropshire, Miller Vice President-Market Planning, center; with Jim Williams, president, Cal-Pac, Northern California, left; and John Gary, president, Cal-Pac, Southern California, right.

Cal-Pac South honored Miller Brewing Company with its "Humanitarian Award" for its continuous contributions for scholarship aid for both young men and young women at its recent awards banquet at the Regency Airport Hotel in Inglewood, California. Cal-Pac (The California State Package Store and Tavern Owners Association) is a group of Black retailers who organized for the purpose of presenting a united front to the alcoholic beverage industry. In addition to granting scholarships to deserving students, Cal-Pac has been instrumental in negotiating with beverage wholesalers, brewers and distillers corporations to hire qualified Blacks for management and non-management positions.

Miller Brewing Company has been a continuous supporter of Cal-Pac in Northern California as well as Cal-Pac in Southern C lifornia. Miller contributed a $1,000 scholarship to Cal-Pac South's scholarship fund and has promised the organization continuance in this worthy program. Last year, the Company donated $4,000 to Cal-Pac North's scholarship fund, $1,000 to be given yearly and split between two deserving high school boy and girl seniors.

SBA Visits BBA

By B. Henderson

A selected team from the Small Business Association will arrive on June 26th to talk to all members of the Black Businessmen Association at their building location - 2106 So. J at 7:30. This occurance will benefit components of the BBA. All businessmen should take advantage of this opportunity. It is imperative that all members of /or anyone involved in the BBA attend. They would get firsthand information. All interested individuals and members are urged to be present. Come and find out all about the SBA. If there are any questions or difficulty in understanding, please contact Mr. C. Walker, Sr. at MA7-9903 or the BBA.

Union of Sexual Minorities Holding Community Meeting

The Union of Sexual Minorities is having a community meeting on Tuesday, June 17 at 7:30 p.m. at 1720 16th Avenue. We will be presenting proposals on what can be done about the lack of protection from the police, and what we can do to stop harrassment, both from the police and from assailants. Please come to the meeting, bring your friends, and your ideas on this serious survival issue. For further information call 324-5016.

There are six different gangs of men presently assaulting and robbing sexual minority people in at least three different areas where gays congregate. We have asked for police protection from these identifiable assailants, and the police do nothing. Lack of personnel and money are always the excuses given to gay groups when we confront the police about the lack of protection. While we hear their stories about the lack of manpower, the women and men of this community are still harrassed, with plenty of manpower, simply because they are guy. On the day of the arrests at the arboretum, for example, many straight men and women, in different sections of the beach, who were also nude, were simply told to put their clothes back on. The arrests were made only at a section of the beach known to be gay, and then primarily women were arrested.

The contradictions are clear. We ask for protection and get harrassment. The sexual minority community is angry! We NEED protection, now. We demand it. We don't need harrassment from the police or from homophobic gangs who get off on beating us up. When we complain, we are turned over to the SPD's P.R. men and the situation never gets dealt with. We need a system of citizen control over the discipline of individual officers, not a closed internal investigations section that is set up only to protect the image of the police department. The continuation of such a system only furthers institutionalized sexism and racism.

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Boys' Club Dance A Success

By Barbara Henderson

Were you aware that the Tacoma Boys Club had a dance Friday and Saturday night, the 13th and 14th of June. It started at 9:00 and the music was called to a stop at 1:00. The controlling purpose was to celebrate the end of the school year 74-75. Many youth showed up. Donation was $1.25 at the door. The Parents Club sponsored it to raise funds for the Athletic Department. Friday night was the best turnout. The dance contest was won by Bernadette Gray and Perry. Saturday, it got off to a slow start, but it really started jamming around 11:00. There was some doubt about who had won. It was a close contest, showing lots of talent. It turned out that Mae Crittendon and Marcus Williams won.

Black Businessman of the Week

SID WILLIAMS

The Black Businessmen's Association is happy to announce the selection of the Black Businessman of the Week of June 22nd, Mr. Sidney Williams, 38, of 5237 S. Birmingham.

Mr. Williams has opened a new business three years ago, Sid's Racquets, Balls and Things. His home was his base of operations, while he organized his store. On April 12th of this year his dream became reality when he opened his firm under the same trade name at 1122 So. Kay Street.

Mr. Williams is married and has five children including a set of twins. He was born and raised here in Tacoma and attended both McCarver and Lincoln. Besides being a member of the Pentecostal church, he's an active sportsman, having boxed for the boys' club and in the Air Force, among his many sports accomplishments.

He was instrumental in introducing racquet ball to this area by setting up clinics, designing T-shirts and directing tournaments. He currently holds the offices of State Chairman of the International Raquet Assn. and President of the WashingtonState Racquetball Association.

He spent the last four years putting together the package for his store, establishing himself with such nationally-known manufacturers as Spalding, Wilson, and AMF-Volt, so that Sid's Racquets, Balls and Things would have something to offer everyone from such old favorites as billiards, tennis and golf, to the 'newer' favorites such as racquet ball and soccer, even ranging to the 'exotic' sports like hand ball.

He has sport apparel, tennis shoes, sports accessories, trophies, a racquet repair service, a complete catalog service for shoppers who want the unusual and free clinics for both tennis and racquet ball.

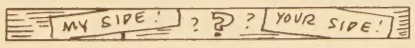
Black Heritage Materials at Tacoma Public Library

By Gordon H. Hills

In the current issue of A Current Bibliography on African Affairs, there is an excellent 43-page article by Irene Diggs, entitled "Dubois and Women, A Short Story of Black Women 1910-1934". Anyone wanting a copy, please contact me at the Library. Here are some excerpts:

"Black men were arrested when they attempted to protect black women, even on a public street car, from familiarity of white men. A black man who discovered a white man criminally intimate with his wife killed him and was sentenced to be hanged. He said on the scaffold: 'I went to a judge and to an officer of the law and told them about it. The first question they asked me, was, 'Is he a white man?' I said that he was and an officer of the law told me that the best thing I could do was to go away from here. He ruined my home and made it unsafe for me to go there and when I went, as a law-abiding citizen, to ask that something be done about it they asked first of all, 'Is he a white man?' Any man would have done what I did. Mr. Walker was my friend for years, but he tried to kill me when I wouldn't give him that shotgun'."

Another excerpt: "The national club movement among Negro women was launched when an invitation was sent in 1895 by Mrs. Josephine St. P. Ruffin to a number of black women to meet in conference... The national organization, The National Federation of Colored Women, formed at this conference, met in their first convention in July, 1896 in Washington, D.C. After the National League of Colored Women met in August 1896, the two organizations united under the name, National Association of Colored Women... Practically all the social work and social reform among blacks were initiated and performed by these clubs. They conducted hospitals, homes for the aged, reformatories, kindergartens, day nurseries and other institutions besides doing work in study, literature and art. They protested against lynching, 'Ladies' Entrances to Saloons', saloons near schools, prostitution, the inability of black teachers to teach white students and vice-versa, discrimination in general and discrimination in education and employment in particular..."



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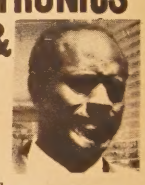

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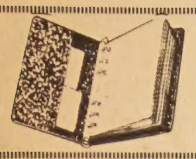


Sports Record Book
by Brian Jaybush

SPORTS SPECTACULAR

The taste of the American people for the spectacular is unmatchable.

I'm not saying whether that's good or bad; I'm not in a position to judge--I like a bottom-of-the-ninth, game-winning home-run as much as anyone. But isn't it something that, last Wednesday morning, CBS Radio Sports thought it worthwhile to play a tape of the announcer's hysterics as he described Ed Harrmann's bottom-of-the-ninth, game-winning home-run (from Tuesday night's Yankee win over the Brewers). Maybe it is only incidental that, up until a couple of years ago, CBS owned the Yankees; but old traditions die hard....

In any event, it almost seems that the spectacular has become the expected by this country's sports spectators. Like, last week California Angels ace pitcher Nolan Ryan pitched a spectacular no-hit baseball game, something that doesn't happen too often, but which Ryan has now done four times. What was the talk after the game? "Oh, he'll do it ten or twelve times," was the talk (the major league record for career no-hitters is four, which Ryan has now tied). "In fact, he might do it twice in a row."

Non-chalance like that. The fact that Ryan didn't then go out and pitch another no-hitter didn't dampen the speculation any; after all it was Henry Aaron who broke up the no-hit bid, with a single--and who can stop Henry Aaron? Who cares that a single isn't spectacular--Aaron is Aaron.

Indeed, he is. It is Henry Aaron who broke Babe Ruth's spectacular home-run record of 714 career homers. Aaron now has 740. He hit No. 740 off a pitch thrown by---you guessed it, Nolan Ryan. That was the last time the two tangled, just this past weekend. People were still thinking Ryan might throw another no-hitter.

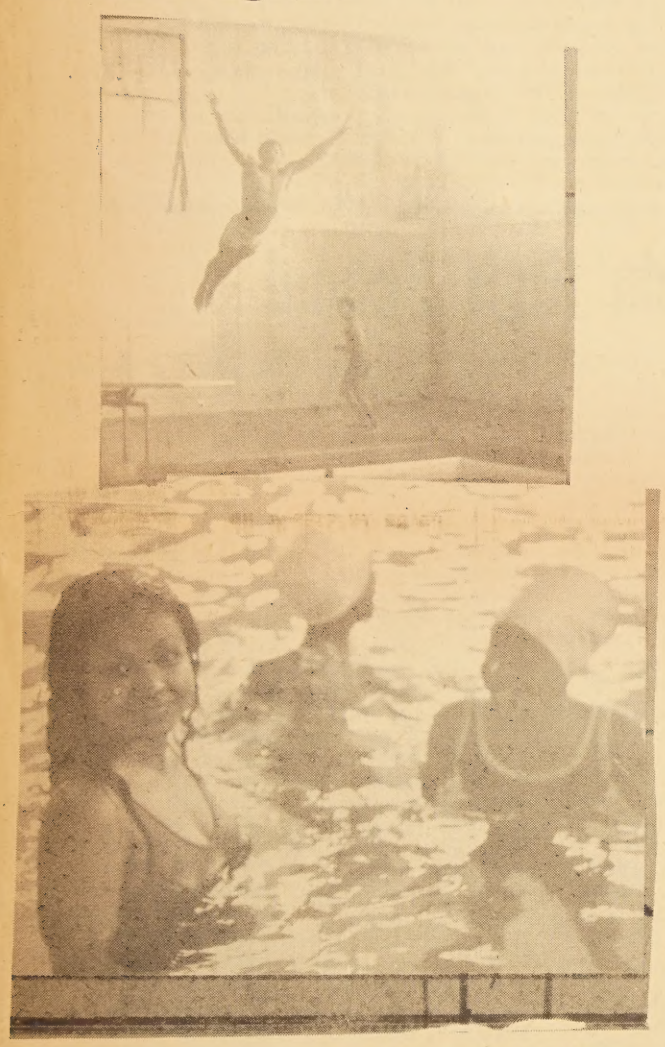
But baseball isn't the only place the spectacular has become the expected. Soccer, for instance. When Pele signed with the New York Cosmos of the North American Soccer League, everyone said that Pele, often called the greatest player in the world, would show American soccer fans some of the most spectacular things they'd ever seen. In his first NASL game, an exhibition match between the Cosmos and the Dallas Tornado last Sunday, everyone waited with baited greath for the spectacular Pele play. Every move he made, even bending down to tie his shoe, was called spectacular. The fact that neither Pele nor the Cosmos did much of anything in the first half and trailed Dallas 2-0 was put down to opening game jitters or something.

But when Pele assisted on one goal and scored the tying goal in the second half (for a final score of 2-2) that was spectacular world-class Pele just doin' his thing. Yawn, ho-hum.

But then, probably the most spectacular event in the world of sports lately wasn't in a game anywhere; it was the trade of Kareem Abdul Jabbar from Milwaukee to Los Angeles. Now, THAT was spectacular. (Unless, of course, you happen to want some other Pacific Division team--like Seattle--to get somewhere in the world.)

On the other hand--wouldn't it be spectacular if Seattle could beat out Los Angeles for first place when the Lakers have Jabbar--?

Boys' Club Sponsors Summer Swim Program



The summer swim program will be starting June 23rd at the Downtown Bous' Club. Swim lessons will be given weekday mornings for two week sessions. The first session goes from June 23-July 3, the second July 7-July 18, and the third July 31-August 1. The individual will have a lesson every day for two weeks. The times are as follows:

9:15-10:00	Intermediates and Swimmers
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A Lifesaving Rescue and Water Safety Course will be offered if there is interest. The time will be determined later. Persons eligible for the Junior Course must be at least 11 years old and pass a swimming test. Persons eligible for the Advanced (Senior) Course must be at least 15 years old and pass a swimming test.

Girls and boys, 6 and up, come down now and sign up for lessons with Tina Estes, Summer Pool Director. The cost of a membership is $2.00 which covers insurance and all activities at the club.

Malcolm X Community Center-The Place To Go This Summer

By Barbara Henderson

Have nothing to do on weekdays?? Go to the Malcolm X Community Center. You are a little late, but you can still make it to the Day Care Center. It started June 16, Monday at 10:00am. You get a free hot lunch and go on field trips with a chance to be part of Operation Cool Off, a swimming program. This is open to everyone from the ages of 8 to 21.

This will last until 6:00pm. This summer, NYC (Neighborhood Youth Corps) has been changed to JOY(Job Opportunities for Youth). Youth from JOY will be learing arts & crafts from the Malcolm X while supervising the others.

Mrs. Arcillia Johnson, director of this program, stresses that she must have consent from the children's parents for the field trips and that she would like to have the parents sign up for their children to insure safety. She would also like volunteer parents to help on field trips. Also, the Center offers craft classes for aducts, Wednesday from 7:30 to 9:30.

The Malcolm X center is sponsored by the Metropolitan Park District.

THE FACTS SPORTS SCENE

WASHINGTON PARTICIPATING IN NATIONAL DRUG ABUSE DEMONSTRATION - 8

OLYMPIA--------Washington is one of seven states selected by the National Institute for Drug Abuse to participate in a nation-wide effort to develop professional standards for drug abuse workers.

Office of Community Development Director Richard W. Hemstad, whose agency will administer the project in this state, says the initial task will entail the classification of job responsibilities and skill requirements for counselors, therapists, crisis intervention workers and others who serve in drug treatment and prevention.

Only those drug abuse workers classified under the State Department of Personnel's Merit System are now subject to uniform job requirements for counselors, therapists, crisis intervention workers and others who serve in drug treatment and prevention.

Only those drug abuse workers classified under the State Department of Personnel's Merit System are now subject to uniform job requirements in the State of Washington.

The classification project, which will be conducted by the Inland Empire Human Services Training Institute in Spokane under an OCD contract, will compare positions under Merit System as well as those under other requirements. The Task Analysis System, used also by the State Department of Personnel, will provide the means for comparing job skills and responsibilities.

Hemstad says that final reports and recommendations developed by the Washington project and those in California, Florida, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Utah and Virginia will be considered by the NIDA in developing professional standards for drug abuse professionals and paraprofessionals in the nation.

Black Woman Awarded $500 in Housing Bias Case

A Washington State Human Rights Commission hearing tribunal has awarded $500 to a Seattle Black woman whom it found to be the victim of racial discrimination in housing.

The tribunal ordered that the amount be paid to Oneida Arnold by Kenneth and Donna Ferguson, owners of the Daphne Apartments, 414 13th Avenue East in Seattle.

Ms. Arnold complained to the City of Seattle Department of Human Rights in late 1971 that she was denied rental of one of the units at the Daphne Apartments due to her race. The Department investigated and attempted to resolve the complaint, and, when settlement efforts failed, brought the matter before a State hearing tribunal.

The case was handled under a joint agreement for processing complaints between the City Department of Human Rights and the State Human Rights Commission.

The tribunal found that fears, suspicions, and hostilities of racial origin explain why Ms. Arnold was not rented an apartment.

The bribunal also mentioned the fact that a Caucasian was offered rental of the apartment the day after Ms. Arnold was told that it was not available. The tribunal also found that the Ferguson's made an "almost comic attempt" to fill the vacant apartment for Ms. Arnold's visit with a tenant's belongings, without his knowledge.

The decision may be appealed to the Superior Court.

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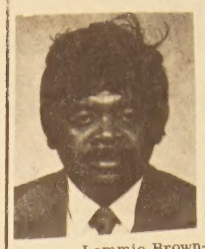

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LIST #	CASE #	LISTED ADDRESS	MIN PRICE	MAX INS	RMS	BDRMS	BATH	BSMT	APPROX LOT SIZE	APPROX R.E. TAXES
		TACOMA								
269447	***	3010 N. Mason	19,500	18,900	6	3	1	100	40xll0	398.22
NOTE: DRY BASEMENT NOT WARRANTED										
188392	***	2012 E. Gregory	16,750	16,200	4	2	1	0	75xll5	148.00
180446	***	2019 E. 36th	14,950	14,500	5	3	1	0	50xl30	276.00
NOTE: RANGE WILL BE INSTALLED AFTER SALE.										
254881	***	2022 E. Harrison	15,000	14,550	5	3	1	0	50xl30	347.21
265216	***	2016 E. 59th St.	29,950	20,300	6	4	1½	0	Irreg.	-

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LIST #	ADDRESS	MIN PRICE	APPROX LOT SIZE	APPROX R.E. TAXES
251470	3716 N. Villard	14,500	50x135	-
185663	6317 N. Hale	15,500	40x100	300.00
156712	1503 So. Cushman	3,750	25x130	231.00
211413	3712 E. Howe	17,000	60x100	300.00
196990	1506 So. Grant	16,000	45x130	308.00

VACANT LOTS

LIST #	ADDRESS	MIN PRICE	APPROX LOT SIZE
189132	6232 So. Junett	2,500	50xll9
169848	811-811½ So. Fife	500	50x67
150824	1209 So. 16th	500	32xl25
211289	2324 South 'K'	500	25xl30

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"EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IS THE LAW"

The Citizens Affirmative Action Council has an Equal Employment Opportunity Program designed to address major problem areas in monitoring systems and patterns of discrimination in pre-employment, employment and policies that public and private employers and administrators are initiating at present and have used in the past which has resulted in overt and covert discrimination against persons of the public sector.

To address these problem areas in discrimination the Citizens Affirmative Action Council has designed an anti-discrimination approach system to aid both employers, administrators and public officials as well as private individuals.

The Council wishes to approach developing alternatives, remedies and support systems to help, identify analyze, restrict and prevent discriminatory practices. The uniqueness and necessity to approach and devise methods influencing and implementing safeguards, plans, regulation and legislation against discrimination should be and must be focused in a bi-fold of (1) preventive measures and (2) corrective measures. It is out of this concept that we provide the following services.

- Direct assistance in filing discrimination complaints.
- Research and monitoring of employment patterns of discrimin--ation.
- Classes in co-operation with local colleges on affirmative action and non-discrimination.
- Resource materials available through the Equal Employment Opportunity Clearinghouse Library.
- Consultants proficient in affirmative action and equal opportunity laws who can provide technical assistance in writing and implementing affirmative action plans and designing affirmative action programs.

The Citizens Affirmative Action Council conducts workshops and seminars designed for individual groups in the following areas:

- Discrimination in Employment, Housing and Sex, Handicapped persons, Religious Discrimination and Racial Discrimination.
- Human Relations
- Community Involvement and Citizens Education
- Public Accommodation
- Pre-employment Inquires

The CAAC located at 2502 Tacoma Avenue South and can be reached at 383-1961.

The Citizens Affirmative Action Council salutes the 1975 High School Graduates and welcomes their future efforts for a better society.

Tacoma Urban League

Affirmative Action = Employment

Thomas Dixon
Executiuve Director

The Tacoma Urban League, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer. Our employment projects address affirmative action directly through placing minorities, females and dispossessed whites on the job, either through training vehicles or direct placements.

The League structures its goals to create within itself a role model for the total community. Internally, our membership, our Executive Board and our staff represent a diverse cross section of the total community. Our Equal Employment Opportunity Policy is reflective of our employment services.

The statistical data below reflects the On-The-Job-Training Program's intent and effort to bring you, the community to a better day. The Labor Education Advancement Project (LEAP), and its sister projects, LEAP Women's Component, State Highway Construction Program and its Women's Component address the placement and advancement of minorities, females and dispossessed whites.*

* All employment projects are located at 1301 South K Street

TACOMA URBAN LEAGUE, INC.
On-the-Job Training Program (CITY)

STATISTICAL TOTALS ENDING MAY 30, 1975

PERCENTAGE	ETHNIC ORIGIN	TOTALS	MALE	FEMALE	VETERAN VE	VETERAN OTH	AFDC	ECONO. DISAD.	UNEM-PLOYED	UNDER-EMPLOYED	CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION	COMPLETION	EARLY TERMINATION
47.3	BLACK	71	51	20	12	4	7	58	64	7	10	13	20
26.0	WHITE	39	36	3	11	5	5	30	35	4	4	9	8
9.3	SSA	14	11	3	3	1	2	7	14	0	2	3	2
4.7	ASIAN	7	5	2	0	0	0	3	4	3	0	3	2
4.0	N/A	6	5	1	2	0	0	6	5	1	0	2	2
8.7	OTHER	13	7	6	0	0	0	13	10	3	0	11	0
100%	TOTALS:	150	115	35	28	10	14	117	132	18	16	41	34
	PERCENTAGES:	100%	76.6%	23.4%	18.6%	6.6%	9.3%	78.0%	88.0%	12.0%	10.6%	27.3%	22.6%

AVERAGE HOURLY RATE (MALE) = $4.00
AVERAGE HOURLY RATE (FEMALE) = $3.72
OVERALL AVERAGE HOURLY RATE FOR TRAINEES = $3.86

DIRECT PLACEMENTS

ASIAN	= 1	VETERANS	= 5
BLACK	= 22	EX-OFFENDERS	= 5
WHITE	= 4	ECONO. DISAD.	= 20
N/A	= 3		
MALE	= 17	FEMALE	= 13

TOTAL: 30

DIPLOMAS TODAY...

Congratulations

1975 MINORITY HONOR GRADUATES

THE TACOMA FACTS takes great pleasure in presenting the 1975 minority high school graduates. We wish you your continued success.

HENRY FOSS HIGH SCHOOL - Annette Maxwell, Darlene Conley and Michael Stanton.

LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL - Clarice Yvonne Douglas, Susan Renee Cambell, Glenn Evans, William Mike Factory, Barbara Jean Jones, Brian Wayne Patton, Sampson Plummer, Jr., Koren Scott and Dian Deloris Young.

MT. TAHOMA HIGH SCHOOL - Michael Abron, Ken Goodson, Sharon Guiler, Kathy Hutchine, David Horton, Charley Starks, Margaret Johnson, Marie Gorospe, Mary E. Hodges, Rick Johnson, Judy A. Malone, Laura O'Conner, and Michael E. Ritchie.

LAKES HIGH SCHOOL - Marshall Carter, Sonya Duhay, Margaret Inouye, Irene Monroe, Ali Naini, Regina Thomas, Garner Thomas, Linda Jones, Pamela Hogan, Jean Sibonga, Heinz Stubblefield, Linda Uyechi, Karen Burlison, Randolph Sandstrom, Michael Murphy, Arthur Booker, Elbert Haeffner, Donna Mowery, Anders Stokes, Carmen Villahermosa, Hye Sukyi.

WILSON HIGH SCHOOL - Deborah Bearden, certificate of excellence in Spanish, 5 years; Venita Curry, Janet Carlson Memorial Award for The Outstanding Senior Girl, Pacific Luthern University Honors at Entrance and Scholarship, certificate of excellence in Spanish, 3 years, Jeffrey Miller Memorial Scholarship; Kimberly Douglas, certificate of excellence in Spanish, 4 years; Linda Johnson, certificate of excellence in shorthand, 120 w.p.m.;LTanya Kennedy, Zuri Wakima Scholarship; Beverly Littlejohn, March of Dimes Health Careers Scholarship, Varja (Wilson High Girls' Honorary Scholarship), National Achievement Commendation for Outstanding Negro Students; Jennifer Oliver, certificate of excellence in German, 3 years, National Achievement Commendation for Outstanding Negro Students, Anonymous Scholarship from a bank trust account; Penny Williams, Zuri Wakima Scholarship.

Our thanks to the Principals and staff of the above high schools for submitting the names of these honor students. THE FACTS would like to congratulate these honor students and all 1975 graduates.

Lincoln High School

Sharon S. Abbott
Eugenie K. Adams
Pamela A. Adams
Joseph Affleje
Alejandro Andrade
Antohny J. Allison
Krista M. Anderson
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Micheal E. Averitt
Roger C. Badilla
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Sharon W. Beimborn
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Daniel S. Bentley
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Sally K. Board
Charles H. Bombardier
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Diana L. Brearty
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Leland D. Clark
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Jack J. Cummings
Juwana A. Cushon
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Edward E. Delegard
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David W. Dobiash
Clarice Y. Douglas
Deborah A. Duckett
Pamela C. Ducolon
David R. Easterday
James W. Elmore
Dennis L. Engel
Martin R. Esser
Glenn Evans
Rockie Fahrnkopf
Diane L. Feddersen
Oliver D. Fillbach
Janice L. Fjelland
Leodis B. Forch
Leonard R. Foster
Ted E. Framke
Debra K. Frost
Valerie L. Fyalka
Ashley K. Garcia
Kathryn Garl
Linda K. Gibson
Clinton Glass
Debra S. Able
Debi Adams
Jennifer D. Addy
Lorree Aleshire
Sandra J. Allen
Douglas P. Anderson
Susan I. Andren
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Jinnie L. Arthur
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Jerry D. Beer, Jr.
Terri L. Bell
Roger D. Bennett
Karla J. Bergo
Dennis J. Bitz
Winfred Boggs
Jeffrey J. Bostwick
Constance M. Bratholm
Cynthia Breckenridge
Cynthia P. Broughton
Alison M. Bunger
Paula S. Campbell
Susan R. Campbell
Joyce A. Castellane
Marty G. Chavis
Cindy L. Christofferson
Michael R. Church
Christopher D. Coley
Earlin M. Cook
Debra J. Corbett
Rene M. Cruz-Segarra
Bobbie D. Current
Carlene M. Danielson
Phyllis R. Davis
Cindy R. DeGrose
Corey De Lorme
Linda S. Diess
Eddie G. Dolan
Clyde E. Drury III
Gerald D. Duckett
Patricia J. Dugwyler
Ronald K. Eide
Mark W. Emerson
Rodney Erfle
Gay L. Evans
William M. Factory
Robert A. Fast
Laura B. Fehrenbach
Daniel M. Fitzpatrick
Martin S. Fleischmann
Sharon A. Forde
Michael D. Fowler
Kristy K. Frick
Tracie R. Fukuhara
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John Geiger
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James D. Jones
Johnny R. Jones
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Ulla D. Kelley
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Congratulations, 1975 Graduates

Monica J. FOSTER

Drill Team To Climax Asian Day Festival

Eighty members of Seattle's Filipino Youth Activities Drill Team will perform in a special feature at 7:30 to climax the third annual Asian Day festival in Tacoma, Saturday, June 21.

Food booths will serve a variety of authentic Chinese, Filipino, Guamanian, Japanese, and Korean dishes throughout the afternoon and evening.

"Lotus Blossom Doesn't Live Here Anymore", a panel on the changing roles of Asian American women, will be a new Asian Day feature. It will begin at 1:30.

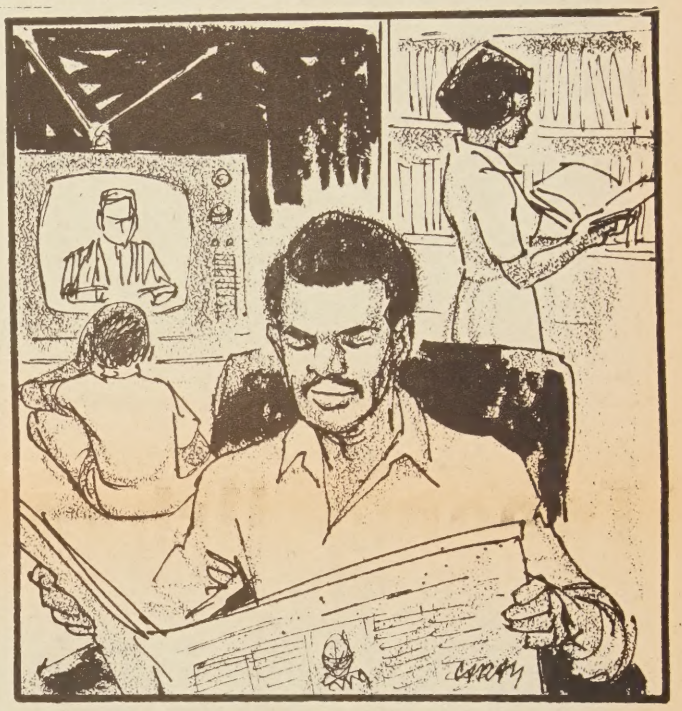
The Puka Shell Serenaders will give a Polynesian Show, including music, hulas, and fire dances, starting at 4:00.

Martial arts demonstrations include the Japanese arts of Kendo at 3:00 and Karate at 6:30. Kendo is derived from the samurai tradition and uses a variety of special "swords".

Asian Day will be presented by the Asian American Alliance at the National Guard Armory in Tacoma, South 11th and Yakima Streets, from Noon to 9 p.m. on Saturday. The theme of this year's event is: "Asian Day: A Festival of Cultural Diversity in America".

Tickets may be purchased at the door for 50¢ donation. Children under twelve will be admitted free.

Other features of Asian Day include Korean, Filipino, and Japanese dance, Korean and Japanese music, demonstrations of sumi painting and origami, information booths by Asian groups and human service agencies, and displays of Asian art work.



An Informed Black America is A Strong Black America

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

If you haven't noticed, all the local organizations have one thing in common, that is, they are all trying to reach one goal, which is, to improve the community, by breaking down certain areas of it. The controlling purpose of this is to enrich the community by dividing it into categories, so that is may be accomplished smoothly. This is the best way to overcome complexity. The community is usually broken down into seven categories. All organizations and programs sometimes have these groups. The economy is related to black businesses, we should support them unselfishly and give our complaints directly to them so that they can deal with it. Political areas are linked with black candidates, we should also support them, get more black representatives in office and train blacks to become professional lawyers. In the area of communications, which is essential to the community, it should be stressed that we advance black participation in community programs and get information over to the people. We should make blacks aware of Housing Development Council. Blacks should be made aware of the educational processes. It should be clear that blacks get involved in Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity Programs. So there it is, the community, in its independent assets, and the ways of advancement and enrichment. Take all these into consideration, if you want to assist your community. You are part of it, you know. Think about it. Please write to me, Barbara Henderson, in care of the TACOMA FACTS.

UJAMAA Is About Unity of the People'

WHAT WE'RE ALL ABOUT???
"UNITY OF THE PEOPLE"

Our community is far below the level of its potentials. In order to unite the people we must work together through...

1. Community Development
2. Inspiration
3. Stimualtion
4. Encouragement
5. Need

In development of our community we should achieve and maintain better social standards through gaining confidence in ourselves and our abilities, becoming more educated and demonstrating pride.

We should respect and listen to our elderly, because, their knowledge is unlimited due to their experiences. Their experiences is an education within itself.

We place emphasis on our youth, for they are the community of tomorrow.

In order to survive as a people, we must inspire, stimulate, cultivate, and create desirable images.

There is a great need for all of these standards to be met. We plan to succeed by having activities such as talent shows, family gatherings, social activities, sports, personal recognition and care and concern for the elderly.

Our first step in achieving these goals will be the presentation of an annual Talent Show which is given by our (The people's) club UJAMAA on June 20th and 21st.

Talent Hour
12:00 Midnight-1:00am
June 20th & 21st
Amvets Hall
38th & Union Sts.

Togetherness is the key to success! Let us acheive the very highest in our standards of living by uniting for the soul purpose of collective bargaining. By the President.

Mary Metke, a graduate student in fine arts from Seattle, designed this cover and did the illustrations for the study "The Right to Read in Every Culture." She is the daughter of Mrs. Carl Olander of Seattle, and a 1956 graduate of Ballard High School.

'The Right To Read In Every Culture' Printed by WSU

By June Bierbower

The greatest opportunity to capture the richness of America's cultural diversity lies in reading, members of Washington State University's Right to Read project believe.

So a special committee of representatives from four major ethnic groups has prepared a booklet for distribution to teachers, principals and superintendents throughout the state in an effort to outline the particular needs of minority children in relation to education, especially reading. It is entitled "The Right to Read in Every Culture."

Perspectives for each of the four ethnic groups have been written by Charlotte A. Siverly, Native American; John Guzman, Candelario Huerta, and Clarence Chachez, Chicano; Harry Cooley and Joseph Bell, Black; Pio DeCano, Asian/Asian-American.

Ms. Siverly asks the question, "Most Native American students do not seem to take an interest in extra-curricular reading. Why?" She answers, "Libraries do not contain books that are relevant to the Native American culture and thus, do no capture their interest. It is known to them that remnants of the culture are still practiced and in existence today. While they do read library books that are available, they feel a lacking in not being able to verify in books the history that they hear about from their families."

She added that most Native American children do not take a serious interest in their studies because "it is difficult for them to set goals for themselves and see education as a means to an end. Much of the curriculum is not geared for Native American pupils and not paced for them."

Again history poses a barrier, "American history puts little or no emphasis on Native American history. The heroes of American history are not the heroes of Native American history. Students hear and know from family stories and legends that there is an undocumented history that they do not and cannot learn in the school systems. Therefore, the educational system, they feel, does not staisfy their needs and is not relevant to them...," she wrote.

Ms. Siverly is assistant director of WSU's Science Education Program, whose purpose is to academically assist culturally, economically and educationally disadvantaged students who are in science careers.

The black child's inability to read is presenting a major challenge to our educational system, write Cooley and Bell, graduate students in education. (Bell, from Seattle, is a graduate of Franklin High School who holds two degrees from the University of Washington.)

"Black parents understand that reading is of great importance to their child for future success at work and also as an adult citizena These parents have high hopes for their children. Although the ambition of the parents may be high, it is obvious from statistics in education and employment that these aspirations can hardly be achieved unless a fundamental program takes school age black children and imporves their reading opportunities and accomplishments from the first day of school."

Language is one major difference for the black child in the classroom they write. He is speaking a "significantly different language from that of his middle class teacher and classmates. Communication across dialects can affect both the pupil's willingness to read the teacher's interpretation of the child's understanding of what has been read. The language of textbooks does not translate to reflect the black child's cultural experience."

Cooley and Bell point out that because there are intrucultural differences among blacks just as among any other group, no one specialized black reading program is likely to work for all black children.

They raise and answer a question: "Teachers receive a number of reading books from publishers who make the claim that their product clearly reflects a multicultural society. What points should be looked for in recommending these books to a selecting committee?"

The reply: "You might start by answering to your satisfaction the following basic question: Can the black child identify with the characters, or do they show built in discrimination such as showing blacks only as bystanders and naming white characters only, or including stereotypes such as a black porter carrying a suitcase and omitting black characters in higher status?"

Most important, the writers concluded, "is to point to the need for a sound reading program for black children who are having reading problems. The program must strive to promote a positive self-image by using materials which portray blacks in historical and present-day achievement situations; emphasize mastery; stimulate language development; utilize methodology which emphasizes positive socialization among pupils, and provide a means for attaining success."

Guzman, who is associate director of Right to Read at WSU, also has directed the university's Teacher Corps-Peace Corps training program, and is a doctoral candidate in education. Huerta, a graduate student in child development, is head resident of a men's dormitory at WSU, and Sanchez is a graduate student in education. They wrote:

For the purpose of their analysis the authors chose to use the term "Chicano" as synonymous with Mexican-American, Spanish speaker of Mexican descent, Latin American, and Spanish-American. They focused on means by which teachers might include Chicano culture in the education process.

In an illustration of how one teacher has gained insights into the Chicano culture through years of teaching at a predominantly Chicano elementary school, they write: "One of these (insights) is the knowledge that Chicano family ties are very strong and that the children assume family responsibility at a very early age. Even though he makes homework ass ignments at the end of the school day, he knows that some of his students will not have time to complete them once they get home. So each day, right before the reading time, he gives the whole class about 30 minutes to finish their reading assignment--and in that way, they are better prepared to either reading out loud or discuss the story."

While Asian/Asian-Americans have generally been regarded as good or model pupils, DeCano, a graduate student in education, wrote, "there are many Asian/Asian-Americans who because of cultural and/or linguistic differences encounter difficulties in learning to read."

Here, also, it is pointed out that the Asian community consists of a great many peoples, with a wide range of behaviors and cultural differences. The classroom teacher may possibly be more effective in relating to the child by recognizing where he or she is coming from in terms of life style and cultural orientation according to DeCano.

"In addition, the employment of bilingual reading teachers might give many pupils opportunities to discuss specific learning problems in their native language," he wrote.

One of the main language difficulties experienced by new arrival Asian/Asian-Americans is the visual difference between the language alphabets, the writer said. Asian languages utilize a system of symbols totally different from the form used in English. One character in Chinese, for example, might mean a total work or entire phrase, and one character may incorporate concepts of both verb and noun, DeCano pointed out. He also reminded readers that the Asian community consists of Filipino, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Samoans and peoples from the Pacific Island groups as well as the Asian continent, so a great range of behaviors and cultural differences can be observed.

The WSU Right to Read project, which is directed by Michael Balasa, assistant professor of education, is part of a national effort to eliminate illiteracy by 1980 and is funded primarily by the U.S. Office of Education.

In the state, Right to Read is directed by the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction. In addition to the collegiate section, a major program aimed at people already teaching is in its second year.

WSU's goals and purposes are three:

To research and identify sources of reading difficulty for children in public schools, especially children of minority background with language and cultural differences. (This emphasis is due to the fact that children with language and cultural differences are often also the ones who have difficulty learning to read.)

To provide education-major students with materials and experiences which will expand their awareness, knowledge and skills(hopefully) in the teaching of reading primarily, and the teaching of reading in a multi-cultural classroom, secondarily. This involves kindergarten through the eighth grade.

To add an additional major component on reading and learning disabilities during the 1975-76 academic year.

The ooklet has been published in connection with a special program in which education majors in all WSU reading classes will be visiting schools throughout the state next year, as classroom observers, applying theory to actual teaching.

Under the WSU project, which began only during the 1974-75 school year, students select modules of interest concentrating on the ethnic group of their choice. Project staff members want them to apply their knowledge in a classroom setting.

The observer program got under way on a small scale with a pilot program at Othello.

Guzman, in a foreward to the booklet, wrote, "We felt it would be easier to make use of observers if you knew their preparation and purpose for being in your school. In addition to what has already been mentioned, we have given a great deal of emphasis to awareness, as it relates to reading through language and cultural differences. We have tried to identify those elements of a culture which are unique and probably do affect a child's school behavior. You may be familiar with some of these differences already, but we hope we have pointed to additional ideas which may be of use in your teaching."

"This, we hope, is extensive and practical research; we get too hung up on the abstract sometimes," he said.

Reduce penalties for marijuana

WASHINGTON—Despite new medical studies suggesting harmful effects of Marijuana smoking, the Ford administration's top drug abuse official says he is ready to lessen criminal penalities for personal use of the drug.

Dr. Robert L. Dupont told a convention of marijuana reformers that "criminal penalties have clearly failed to prevent widespread use of marijuana."

But he said marijuana is not harmless.

The Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare is in the process of putting together its fourth report on "Marijuana and Health" and is expected to cite several recent studies indicating there may be serious health risks to marijuana use.

Some of those studies were brought to public attention through hearings conducted by Sen. James Eastland and the Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

One of the studies the HEW report will examine suggests marijuana smoking may have an impact on the capacity of body cells to divide and reproduce normally, affecting the ability of the body to fight infections.

But Dupont, director of the White House's Special Action Office for Drug Abuse Programs, told the convention of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws that the medical research "Does not answer the basic questions of social and legal policy..."

He said the Nation's "incomplete information about the effects of marijuana use on individual health must not be allowed to obscure the well documented harmful social effects of existing marijuana laws."

MODEL CITIES NEWS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT-MODEL CITIES DIVISION

First Community Development Project Approved

THE COMMUNITY Gardens project was the first project approved for funding under Tacoma's Community Development grant.

The City Council approved a community gardens project early this month, as the first project funded in Tacoma by the Community Development Department.

Community Development will contribute about $4,200 to the project with about $3,700 coming from the Hunger Action Center at Evergreen College.

The Tacoma Urban League has been operating the project with the hunger action funds and will complete it with Community Development funds. Citizens have donated use of vacant lots to the project for garden plots. The ground has been tilled, divided into plots, and assigned to interested gardeners. The staff has been especially interested in getting low-income families involved in the project.

The project has prepared a number of plots throughout the city for planting. Each gardener is given a 300 sq. ft. plot to use for planing vegetables. Higher income families have been asked to donate a portion of their harvest to the food bank.

Youth Summer Program

POLICE OFFICER Phil Gainey told the task force that the best way to prevent crime this summer is to keep the youth active.

Summer activities for youth monopolized the discussion at the Model Cities Combined Task Force on Monday.

Harriet Williams, citizens involvement specialist, announced that the Youth Services Bureau is planning a number of activities for youth during the summer. A list of activities will be available at the Community Development office, 593-4660.

Tacoma Police Officer Phil Gainey, originator of Harvey the Talking Motorcycle, told the task force that keeping youths active during the summer is the best way to prevent crime. Officer Gainey said that 90 percent of the crimes committed in Tacoma are done by youth 17 years old and younger. Recently the police department started picking up youths during the day and returning them to school; burglaries were cut by 50 percent.

More than 65,000 people a year hear Harvey talk about safety, according to Officer Gainey. He added that Harvey appeared on the Brakeman Bill Show 25 times, including the last show. Harvey also appeared on Channel 13, and Officer Gainey jokingly wondered why everyone went off the air after Harvey appeared.

Officer Gainey told the task force that they can protect their property by engraving their drivers license number on household items. He said that an engraving tool is available at the Police Department.

First Class Petty Officer Glen Brazil talked to the task force about the Coast Guard. He encouraged the young men and women present to look into the Coast Guard as a career. He called the guard, "the quiet service with a big mission."

Mini-Park Work Begins

THE CONTRACTOR moved some of his equipment on site last week and began construction of the 25th and Sheridan mini-park this week.

Work began on the 25th Street and Sheridan Avenue mini-park last week as the proposed park comes closer to completion.

The City Council awarded a contract for construction of the park to Queen City Landscaping and Construction Co. for their low bid of $19,267.50. The work will include construction of benches and walkways, installation of lighting and sprinkler systems, and planting of sod and additional trees and shrubs.

The park is being funded with $10,000 in Model Cities funds and $10,000 in state funds. Work is expected to be completed some time in mid or late July.

The contractor began moving equipment on the site last week and was expected to begin construction this week.

She's Proud Of Work

A NEW INTERIOR paint job gives Mrs. Daniels pleasant surroundings as she studies her large family Bible. Her home was rehabilitated recently by Model Cities.

Sara Daniels is proud of the work Model Cities has done on her home and she wants the community to know it.

Mrs. Daniels has even invited people in the neighborhood to come by and see her house. "All I ask is that they call me if they want to see what's been done and talk about the work." Her address is 612 S. 17th and phone MA 7-7354.

"I want to thank the boys who did the work. They were all so kind," she said. "You know it's not only the work that's important; it's the personality of the people who do the work too. I think I spoiled them with cake and coffee."

Mrs. Daniels has lived in Tacoma for 34 of her 71 years. In 1966 she moved into her present home.

Model Cities' Housing Development Program has improved the wiring and plumbing in her home, put in new linoleum, made the stairway safer with rubber mats and a railing, and given the whole inside of the house a new coat of paint.

Mrs. Daniels has invited the community to see her house partially because she wants to spread the good word about the housing program but partially because she just likes to visit with people. Two of her favorite topics are her family (9 children, 21 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren, and 1 great great grandchild) and her faith in God. A huge Bible lay open on her table where she spends a lot of time studying.

She also likes to talk about her work in the Tacoma ship yards and as a practical nurse at Madigan Hospital. At the moment, she is working at an attorney's office on occasion doing clean up work. "I've got to get out and do something besides crumble," she added.

So if anyone wants to talk about the Model Cities housing program, give Mrs. Daniels a call. She wants to talk to you.

Housing , Scholarship Funds Approved

The Model Cities Executive Board approved use of $48,000 for housing and $2,000 for scholarships at its last meeting.

The $48,000 was transferred from the Neighborhood Development Program to the Housing Development Program to help complete rehabilitation of homes in the Model Cities neighborhood. The Model Cities housing program is not taking any more applications and is looking for funds to complete the homes already on a waiting list of about 45 applications. Community Development Department Assistant Director Keith Palmquist has recommended that all unused Model Cities funds not needed for audits, final evaluations, and program close-out be used for home rehabilitation.

The board also voted to use remaining scholarship funds for additional scholarships. About $500 will go to Bates Vocational Technical Institute to help Model Neighborhood residents enrolled there and about $1,500 will be available for scholarships to neighborhood residents attending other schools in the area. A committee has been set up to screen the applicants and work out the details of the program.

Board Chairman Junior N.R. Ellis announced that the board has approved sending three delegates to the summer board meeting of the National Citizens Participation Council in Washington, D.C. on June 20. Mr. Ellis also announced that he has received information indicating that the regional and national citizens councils would receive funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development shortly.

Mr. Palmquist told the board that he had talked to the regional HUD office recently about the close out of the Model Cities program in Tacoma. Mr. Palmquist said that all available funds must be under contract by Sept. 30, 1975, and that no new projects can be funded.

Council Approves Increase For Drug Program

The City Council added $5,400 left over from a previous contract to the current budget of the Drug Service System.

The additional funds will be used for salary increases, accounting services, staff training and other items which will increase the effectiveness of the program.

In an interview and a report to the Model Cities Executive Board last month, program Director Ron Murphy talked about what the program has been doing during its first year of existence. The program was started to help black addicts who have not been served by traditional drug programs.

Mr. Murphy said that the staff does not tell the addict what he should have. After asking a client about his or her drug history, education, work experience and so on, the counselor asks "What do you want?"

The program helps the addict meet some of his basic needs for a job, housing or food for his children. The staff tries to solve some of the problems that caused the client's dependance on drugs; they also encourage the addict to get involved in a program that will help him get rid of his habit.

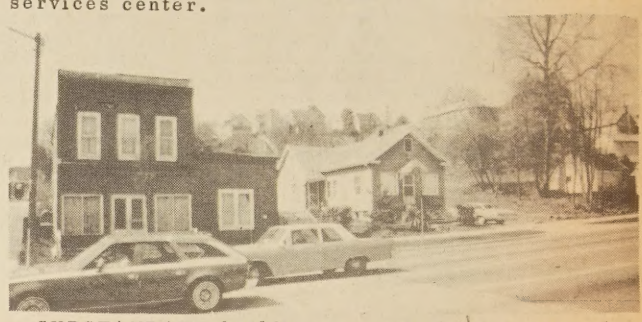
Mr. Murphy said that he is becoming more and more concerned about drug abuse prevention and hopes to concentrate more on drug education for junior high and younger high school students.

"The younger age groups in this neighborhood have a good knowledge about drugs, but they don't understand the pharmachology of drugs," Mr. Murphy said. He explained that few young people really understand how drugs affect the body and mind as he began listing the possibility of diseases, bad dope, overdose, and dependancy on common drugs such as barbiturates as a few of the consequances.

Mr. Murphy encourages parents to get involved in their children's education. He feels that education is extremely important for black youth and that involvement of parents in the education system would help prevent the drug problem.

Urban Services Center Work Started

DURING THE CEREMONY, the buildings were leveled in preparation for construction of the urban services center.



SUBSTANDARD buildings occupied the proposed Yakima Square site before the ground breaking ceremony last week.

Yakima Square, Tacoma Urban League's urban services center, got off the ground (or went to the ground as the case may be) last week with a ground breaking ceremony.

A number of local officials watched as the substandard buildings on the site were leveled during the ceremony.

The Community Development Department is participating in the project with a $50,000 contribution from Model Cities funds. In return for the contribution, the Urban League will lease office space to the City of Tacoma. The agreement also includes use of conference rooms in the urban services complex. The city will lease more than 800 sq. ft. of space for 12 years.

In addition to the Model Cities funds, the Economic Development Administration has granted $352,000 to the Urban League which has purchased the land for about $50,000. The two-story center will house the eight action programs of the Urban League now operating from two offices in the Model Cities area.

Scholarships

Model Cities has scholarship money available for Model Neighborhood residents. For information and application forms call the Community Development Department at 593-4660.

(Limited funds available)

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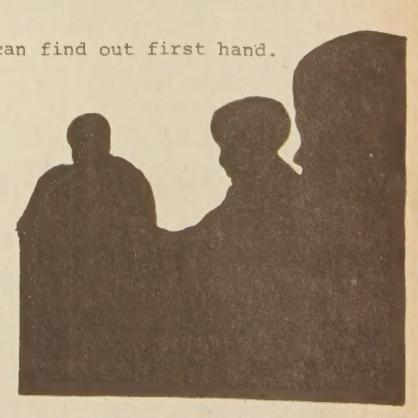

The Model Cities Executive Board must fill two elected vacancies. If you would like to serve on the board, send a resume of your background and community activities to:

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